



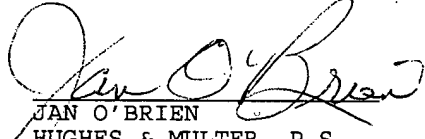
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## RESPONSE

The Honorable Commissioner  
United States Patent and Trademark Office  
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the office action mailed November 19, 1993. A response was due this last February 19, 1994. A two month extension of time is hereby requested to make the present response due this April 19, 1994. A check in the amount of \$180.00 is enclosed in payment of the extension fee. It is believed that no other fee or charge is due at this time to maintain the application in full force and effect. However, if any such fee or charge is due, please charge this to Deposit Account No. 08-3260.

In the specification, page 3, in the first line of the figure descriptions, change "perspective" to --side--.

On page 6, line 3, delete "in front of the wearer"--.

Please delete the claims presently in the application, and insert in their place the following claims 1 through 10.

16. A backpack to carry a load on the back of a person's body, the person's back having an upper back area and a lower back area, and also having

- i. a lower back location at approximately the height of the person's waist;
- ii. an upper back location approximately just below the height of the person's shoulders;

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